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NATIONAL PUBLIC OPINION SURVEY

**on Democratic, Economic
and Judicial Reforms,
Including Implementation of the Law on
the Purification of Government**

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Goal: Research Ukrainian public opinion about the government's response to public demands following the Revolution of Dignity of 2013/2014

Objectives:

- Identify to which degree Ukrainians believe that the GOU is actually implementing vetting and lustration processes and whether the vetting and lustration of public officials will lead to a better future for Ukraine and its people, as well as whether the GOU is effectively implementing democratic and economic reforms.
- Measure Ukrainian public awareness about vetting and lustration (laws, responsible bodies, processes).
- Identify levels of public trust in various branches of government and views about the future of Ukraine.



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Survey Implementer



- Leader of marketing research in Europe, established in 1934
- 115 companies in more than 100 countries
- 13,000 employees worldwide
- In Ukraine represented by GfK Ukraine

GfK Ukraine

- Largest marketing and social research company in Ukraine
- Annual income over UAH110 million
- 1,300 interviewers in all regions of Ukraine
- More than 20,000 face-to-face interviews per month



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Questionnaire

- Developed by FAIR in cooperation with International and Ukrainian experts
- Contribution from the Department for Lustration of the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine and the Interim Special Commission for Vetting Judges of the High Council of Justice
- 192 variables (questions) including socio-demographic data
- Tested and verified by GfK

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БУДЬ ЛАСКА, НАДАЙТЕ ВІДПОВІДІ ПРО СЕБЕ

1. СТАТЬ

Чоловіча 1 → ПЕРЕВІРТЕ КВОТИ!
Жіноча 2 → ПЕРЕВІРТЕ КВОТИ!

2. ВІК (ЗАПИШІТЬ) _____

ЗАКОДУЙТЕ

1	18-29	→ ПЕРЕВІРТЕ КВОТИ!
2	30-39	
3	40-49	
4	50-59	
5	60-69	
6	70 і старше	

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Methodology

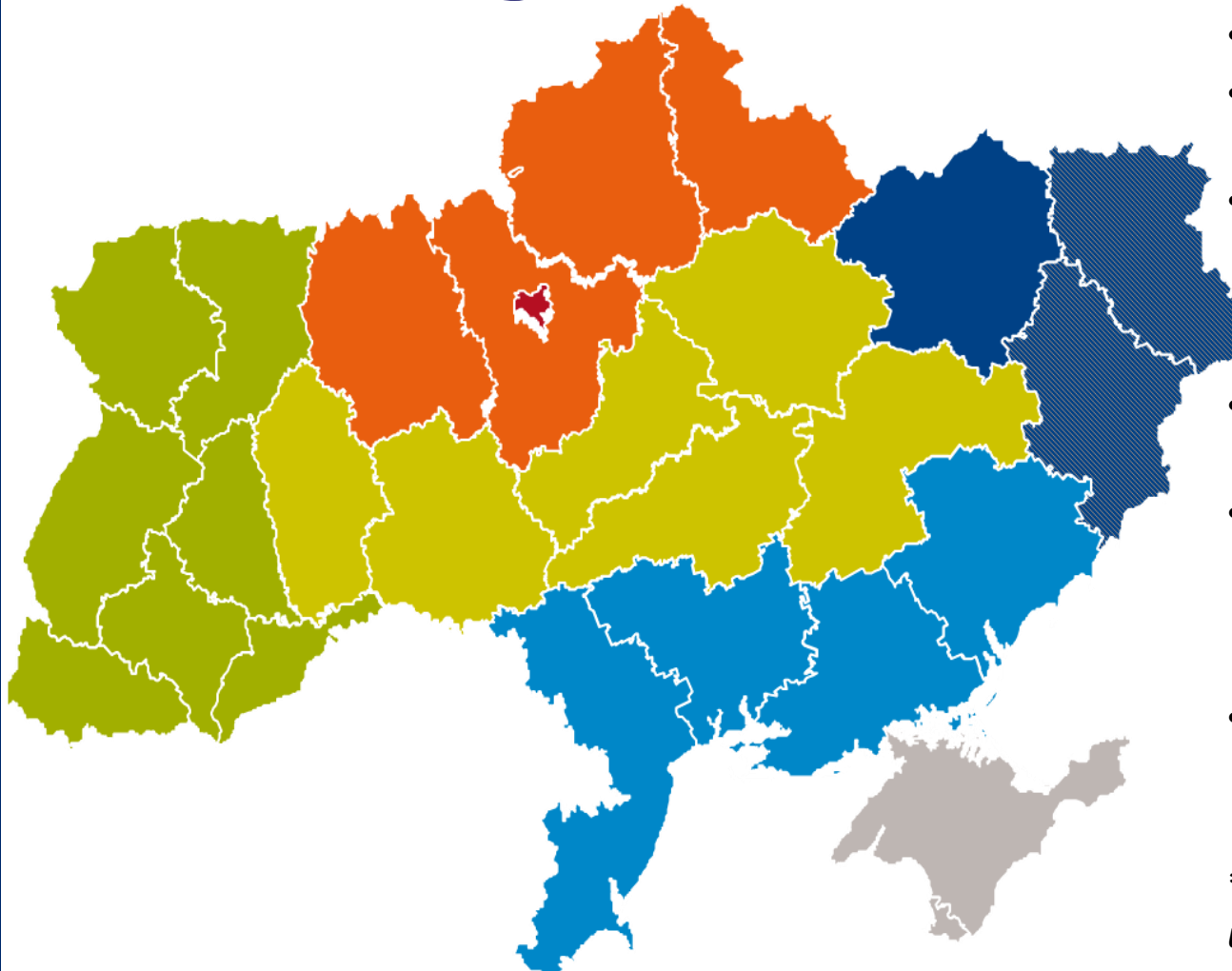
- Face-to-face interviews
- 2,359 respondents in all oblasts of Ukraine except occupied territories and ATO zones. 1,069 men (45,3%) and 1,290 women (54,7%)
- Representative sampling for all Ukraine
- Statistical error not exceeding 2%
- Representative sampling for geographic regions: North, West, Center, South, East and the City of Kyiv
- Data weighed by gender, age, settlement size, and region of respondent's living according to statistical data from the State Committee of Statistics of Ukraine, 2014
- Three-tier data quality control



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Regions of the survey



- Kyiv
- East: Kharkivska, Donetsk*, Luganska*
- West: Volynska, Zakarpatska, Ivano-Frankivska, Lvivska, Rivnenska, Ternopilska, Chernivetska
- North: Zhytomirska, Kyivska, Sumska, Chernihivska
- Center: Vinnitska, Dnipropetrovska, Kirovogradska, Poltavska, Khmel'nitska, Cherkaska
- South: Zaporizka, Mykolaivska, Odeska, Khersonska

** parts of the oblast that are under Ukrainian controll*



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Number of Respondents by Region

#	Region	No.	Men	Women
1	Kyiv City	400	169	231
2	North	293	133	160
3	West	508	238	270
4	Center	521	238	283
5	South	341	152	189
6	East	296	139	157
	TOTAL	2359	1069	1290



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Respondent Profile

WHAT LANGUAGE RESPONDENTS USE TO COMMUNICATE WITH THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS (CLOSE PEOPLE) THE MOST OFTEN?

#	Answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	Ukrainian	55%	31%	73%	92%	66%	20%	13%
2	Russian	43%	66%	25%	5%	33%	78%	87%
3	Other	1%	1%	0%	3%	0%	1%	0%
4	Ukrainian and Russian equally	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%
5	No answer	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%



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THE ECONOMIC SITUATION FOR RESPONDENTS: IMPROVED OR WORSENERD OVER THE PAST 12 MONTHS?

#	Answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	Significantly improved	1%	1%	2%	0%	0%	0%	1%
2	Somewhat improved	3%	6%	1%	4%	2%	3%	2%
3	Did not change	15%	18%	15%	19%	11%	21%	8%
4	Somewhat worsened	37%	37%	28%	41%	42%	32%	36%
5	Significantly worsened	43%	31%	54%	34%	43%	42%	51%
6	Difficult to tell	2%	6%	0%	2%	1%	2%	1%



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Respondent Profile

SOCIAL STATUS OF RESPONDENTS

#	Answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	Employed, full-time	42%	50%	47%	34%	45%	37%	45%
2	Employed, part-time	7%	12%	3%	7%	7%	9%	6%
3	Housekeeping/take care of the family	4%	2%	2%	6%	5%	7%	2%
4	Pensioner	29%	19%	33%	28%	30%	28%	28%
5	Unemployed, looking for a job	8%	4%	6%	11%	5%	9%	9%
6	Temporarily not working (for ex., maternity leave)	7%	4%	6%	11%	5%	6%	6%
7	Student	3%	5%	3%	4%	3%	3%	3%
8	Difficult to answer	1%	5%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%



Respondent Profile

EMPLOYMENT SECTOR

#	Answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	Public and local authorities, state and municipal facilities	14%	15%	16%	15%	17%	6%	11%
2	State company	20%	17%	24%	20%	19%	22%	17%
3	Private sector	62%	64%	57%	62%	59%	72%	60%
4	Non-profit entities (e.g., political parties, NGOs, church)	2%	4%	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%
5	Other	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	3%
6	Difficult to answer	2%	0%	1%	1%	2%	1%	7%



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RESPONDENTS OR THEIR CLOSE RELATIVES BELONGING TO SPECIFIC CATEGORIES OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS SUBJECT TO LUSTRATION LAWS

#	Answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	Public officer (managerial post) at the public authorities	4%	5%	8%	5%	3%	1%	3%
2	Public officer (non-managerial) at the public authorities	5%	5%	8%	5%	4%	5%	2%
3	Employee of law-enforcement authorities	3%	5%	4%	2%	3%	1%	4%
4	Military officer	3%	3%	2%	2%	1%	9%	1%
5	Judge	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
6	None of the above	85%	71%	81%	87%	88%	84%	86%
7	Difficult to answer	2%	10%	1%	1%	2%	0%	3%



Level of Involvement

**OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS, DID RESPONDENTS HAPPEN TO
BE PARTICIPANTS OF COURT HEARINGS?**

#	Answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	No	92%	84%	94%	94%	87%	95%	97%
2	Yes, once	7%	12%	5%	5%	13%	4%	3%
3	Yes, 2 or more times	1%	4%	2%	0%	1%	1%	0%

APPLY TO PUBLIC AUTHORITIES (RECEIVE CERTIFICATES, PERMITS, REGISTER OWNERSHIP ETC)?

#	Answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	No	71%	73%	70%	66%	65%	83%	78%
2	Yes, once	18%	16%	16%	16%	26%	12%	18%
3	Yes, 2 or more times	11%	11%	13%	19%	9%	5%	4%



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Level of Involvement

**OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS, DID RESPONDENTS HAPPEN TO
HAVE CONTACTS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES?**

#	Answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	No	88%	77%	90%	91%	84%	91%	92%
2	Yes, once	9%	18%	7%	6%	12%	8%	8%
3	Yes, 2 or more times	3%	5%	3%	3%	5%	1%	0%



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Level of Involvement

**WERE RESPONDENTS TO THIS SURVEY AFFECTED BY
LAST YEARS' TRAGIC EVENTS IN THE EAST OF UKRAINE AND ANNEXATION OF CRIMEA?**

#	Answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	Yes	22%	15%	32%	22%	18%	19%	25%
2	No	78%	85%	68%	78%	82%	81%	75%

THOSE WHO WERE AFFECTED:

1	Personally supported armed forces, volunteers, settlers	45%	35%	50%	70%	33%	38%	28%
2	Relations with friends/family have worsened because different views	26%	19%	35%	16%	22%	32%	33%
3	Someone in family died or was injured in military operations	10%	16%	8%	10%	13%	13%	5%
4	Personally participated in military operations or volunteer activities in the ATO area	3%	0%	3%	4%	4%	2%	5%



Worries and Concerns

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	I am afraid of the possibility of significant deterioration of the level of life	completely and mostly agree	96%	94%	97%	95%	97%	92%	96%
		completely and mostly disagree	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	4%	2%
2	I worry about my personal safety and the safety of my family	completely and mostly agree	95%	94%	98%	95%	97%	90%	95%
		completely and mostly disagree	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%
3	I worry about the future of Ukraine	completely and mostly agree	95%	96%	96%	99%	94%	91%	92%
		completely and mostly disagree	2%	1%	0%	0%	2%	4%	1%
4	I worry that an open war between Ukraine and Russia will erupt	completely and mostly agree	91%	89%	90%	96%	95%	87%	81%
		completely and mostly disagree	4%	5%	4%	2%	3%	7%	9%
5	I am concerned with the high probability of another mass street protests	completely and mostly agree	77%	68%	76%	81%	83%	77%	69%
		completely and mostly disagree	8%	12%	14%	8%	6%	6%	6%



Level of Trust

#	Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	Volunteers	completely and mostly trust	61%	61%	74%	76%	62%	46%	37%
		completely and mostly distrust	14%	14%	11%	6%	15%	25%	15%
2	Voluntary battalions	completely and mostly trust	49%	53%	57%	69%	58%	27%	19%
		completely and mostly distrust	26%	20%	19%	8%	21%	47%	48%
3	Ukrainian Army	completely and mostly trust	45%	42%	58%	65%	45%	32%	19%
		completely and mostly distrust	29%	26%	23%	13%	29%	42%	50%

Findings:

- Volunteers (public movement), voluntary battalions and Ukrainian Army have positive balance of public trust.
- Volunteers have positive balance of public trust in all regions
- Voluntary battalions and Ukrainian Army have positive balance of public trust in North, West, Center and the City of Kyiv. They have negative balance of public trust in South and East.



Level of Trust

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
4	Local self-governance	completely and mostly trust	20%	18%	17%	23%	20%	15%	22%
		completely and mostly distrust	52%	47%	52%	45%	54%	57%	53%
5	President of Ukraine	completely and mostly trust	19%	32%	17%	27%	20%	15%	6%
		completely and mostly distrust	58%	39%	62%	51%	57%	62%	74%
6	Cabinet of Ministers	completely and mostly trust	9%	15%	9%	7%	9%	10%	3%
		completely and mostly distrust	74%	56%	79%	74%	75%	75%	79%
7	Verkhovna Rada	completely and mostly trust	8%	16%	4%	8%	9%	9%	4%
		completely and mostly distrust	74%	56%	75%	74%	76%	72%	80%

Findings:

- All branches of GOU have negative balance of public trust in all regions.
- Positions of the local self-governance and the President of Ukraine are slightly better than other branches of power.
- Position of the President of Ukraine is much better in Kyiv City than in regions.



Level of Trust

#	Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
8	Militia	completely and mostly trust	8%	12%	8%	6%	9%	8%	7%
		completely and mostly distrust	75%	65%	79%	78%	75%	71%	77%
9	Prosecutors	completely and mostly trust	8%	11%	4%	4%	8%	5%	5%
		completely and mostly distrust	77%	65%	81%	82%	76%	75%	78%
10	Judiciary	completely and mostly trust	5%	8%	2%	4%	7%	5%	6%
		completely and mostly distrust	79%	72%	87%	84%	78%	72%	79%

Findings:

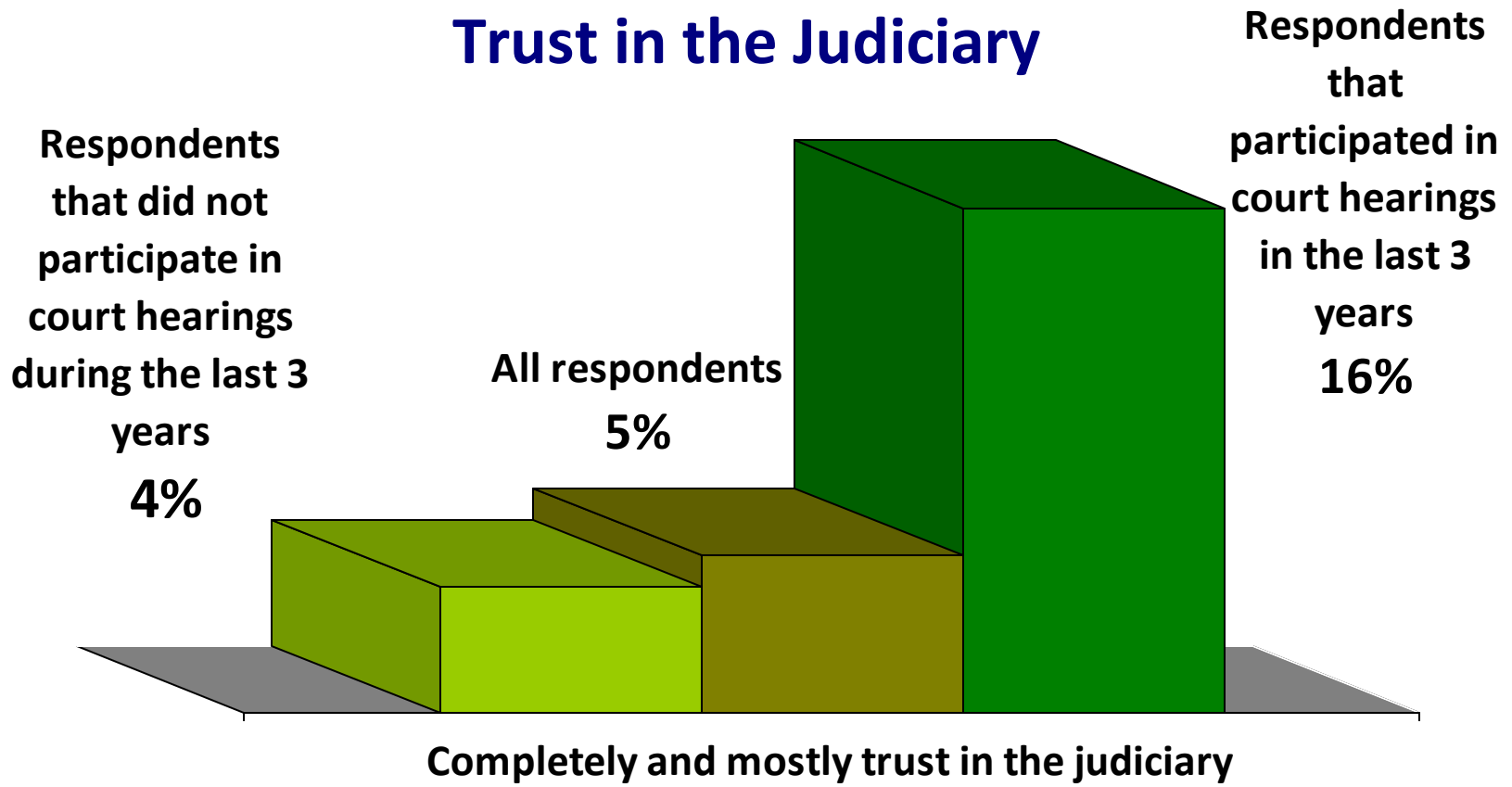
- Judiciary has the lowest level of public trust in all regions.
- Those respondents who participated in court hearings at least once in the last three years trust the judiciary more than those respondents who did not participate in court hearings (16% against 4%)
- Those respondents who contacted militia at least ones in the last three years trust it more than those respondents who have not contacted militia in the last three years (16% against 7%)



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Trust in the Judiciary





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Yanukovych Voters: Regret or No

QUESTION:

In the past many people voted for President Yanukovych. Some people do not regret voting for him, though others do regret it. What is your position?

Possible answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
I voted for President Yanukovych and I do not regret this decision	11%	6%	10%	3%	12%	18%	15%
I voted for President Yanukovych and I regret my decision now	15%	12%	12%	8%	22%	20%	12%
I never voted for President Yanukovych	63%	69%	70%	85%	57%	44%	51%



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Public Opinion on Current Status of Reforms

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	Democratic reforms in line with demands of society are really taking place in Ukraine	completely and mostly agree	22%	36%	16%	18%	27%	29%	8%
		completely and mostly disagree	55%	40%	70%	58%	53%	40%	67%
2	Economic reforms in line with demands of society are really taking place in Ukraine	completely and mostly agree	20%	30%	17%	13%	25%	27%	8%
		completely and mostly disagree	60%	45%	69%	67%	55%	45%	72%
3	Judicial reform in line with demands of society is really taking place in Ukraine	completely and mostly agree	16%	31%	11%	7%	23%	24%	4%
		completely and mostly disagree	61%	47%	73%	68%	59%	47%	65%



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Public Opinion on Current Status of Reforms

Findings

- Majority of Ukrainians do not believe that democratic, economic and judicial reforms taking place in Ukraine are in line with public demands. This trend is the same in all regions.
- Respondents in Kyiv City, South and Central regions of Ukraine believe more that reforms taking place in Ukraine than respondents in Eastern and Western regions
- Judicial reform is believed to be less likely to take place than democratic and economic reforms



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Public Opinion on Reforms Reasons for Lack of Efficiency and Delay

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	Interests of certain financial groups and oligarchs	completely and mostly agree	76%	71%	88%	77%	79%	67%	70%
		completely and mostly disagree	9%	6%	5%	12%	9%	9%	7%
2	Political will of Ukrainian Government	completely and mostly agree	73%	67%	84%	74%	74%	67%	73%
		completely and mostly disagree	10%	9%	8%	14%	11%	10%	7%
3	Aggressive actions of RF	completely and mostly agree	48%	50%	44%	58%	45%	48%	39%
		completely and mostly disagree	28%	24%	35%	25%	35%	26%	16%



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Public Opinion on Reforms Other Issues

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	Delaying reforms in Ukraine will result in serious social, economic and political implications	completely and mostly agree	65%	61%	80%	70%	66%	58%	53%
		completely and mostly disagree	10%	12%	6%	12%	9%	10%	10%
2	Reforms in Ukraine should not be implemented in a way that affects social protection of people	completely and mostly agree	71%	68%	81%	68%	76%	64%	69%
		completely and mostly disagree	10%	11%	11%	13%	7%	11%	6%



Support and Perception of Lustration

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	Purification of Government (lustration) in Ukraine will surely lead to improvement of social, economic and political situation	completely and mostly agree	62%	67%	67%	68%	69%	49%	45%
		completely and mostly disagree	10%	5%	6%	11%	11%	13%	8%
2	The process of purification of Government (lustration) in Ukraine takes place in line with demands of the society	completely and mostly agree	17%	28%	12%	19%	21%	19%	4%
		completely and mostly disagree	57%	47%	64%	54%	57%	50%	68%



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Public Perception of Reforms and Purification of Government

Findings

- Majority of Ukrainians believe that democratic, economic and judicial reforms in Ukraine are not effective and delayed due to financial interests of oligarchs and lack of GOU political will.
- Majority of Ukrainians believe that reforms are critical for Ukraine, but they should not affect social protection of people
- Purification of Government (lustration) is needed but not implemented in line with public demands



Public Awareness of Lustration

QUESTION

ARE YOU AWARE OF THE FACT THAT LUSTRATION IS ONGOING IN UKRAINE?

#	Answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	Yes, I know a lot about it	18%	25%	16%	24%	20%	13%	10%
2	Yes, though I know only few things	61%	60%	72%	63%	59%	58%	54%
3	No	16%	10%	10%	10%	13%	24%	32%



Public Awareness of Lustration Specific Issues

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	I know what lustration is (in general)	completely and mostly agree	51%	59%	59%	67%	57%	34%	24%
		completely and mostly disagree	33%	23%	25%	21%	32%	43%	56%
2	I'm well informed about the existence of a special law for lustration	completely and mostly agree	27%	36%	25%	38%	30%	17%	12%
		completely and mostly disagree	57%	46%	55%	48%	57%	63%	71%
3	I'm well informed about those who are subject for vetting and lustration	completely and mostly agree	32%	40%	47%	41%	32%	22%	12%
		completely and mostly disagree	50%	38%	33%	42%	55%	61%	66%



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Public Awareness of Lustration Specific Issues

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
4	I know who are the authorities that conduct vetting and lustration of public officials	completely and mostly agree	20%	31%	21%	22%	23%	15%	12%
		completely and mostly disagree	61%	48%	59%	62%	60%	64%	69%
5	I know who are the authorities that conduct vetting and lustration of judges	completely and mostly agree	18%	27%	17%	19%	23%	14%	9%
		completely and mostly disagree	66%	53%	65%	64%	64%	69%	74%
6	I know how the vetting and lustration of public officials proceeds	completely and mostly agree	18%	26%	18%	18%	24%	15%	8%
		completely and mostly disagree	64%	54%	61%	63%	65%	67%	73%



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#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
7	I know how the vetting and lustration of judges proceeds	completely and mostly agree	16%	24%	16%	16%	22%	14%	6%
		completely and mostly disagree	66%	53%	65%	64%	65%	69%	75%
8	I know how I can contribute to the process of purification of government	completely and mostly agree	16%	21%	14%	24%	17%	14%	5%
		completely and mostly disagree	66%	61%	68%	56%	68%	67%	79%



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Public Awareness of Lustration

Findings

- Majority of Ukrainians (79% of survey respondents) know that the process of purification of government (vetting and lustration) is ongoing in Ukraine. However, majority of them know very little about this process.
- Majority of Ukrainians in all regions do not know about the existence of vetting and lustration laws, how these processes take place, who are the responsible authorities and who are subject to lustration



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Public Opinion

QUESTION

EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT AWARE OF LUSTRATION IN UKRAINE, **WHAT**, IN YOUR OPINION, **NEEDS TO BE DONE IN ORDER TO PURIFY THE GOVERNMENT IN UKRAINE?**

#	Answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	Preliminary vetting of all public officials and judges, the further career of such public official or judge depends on the results of vetting	38%	39%	33%	34%	41%	36%	45%
2	A full replacement of all public officials and judges	36%	38%	46%	45%	35%	27%	18%



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#	Answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
3	Vetting of only those public officials and judges with regard to whom the society has suspicions of abuse (bribery, corruption schemes, political prosecution, human rights violation, etc)	13%	11%	13%	10%	10%	17%	17%



Public Opinion

HOW TO PURIFY THE JUDICIARY IN UKRAINE?

#	Answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	The judicial corps needs to be completely renewed ; none of the current sitting judges can render justice any more	49%	61%	44%	58%	55%	40%	34%
2	All judges must undergo vetting and only after this decision if the person can render justice	36%	30%	41%	34%	31%	36%	51%



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Public Opinion

HOW THE VETTING AND LUSTRATION IN THE JUDICIAL BRANCH MUST BE CONDUCTED?

#	Answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
3	Only those must undergo vetting on whom the public has complaints (rendered illegitimate decisions, were appointed under protection of politicians, etc.)	7%	6%	9%	34	5%	10%	8%



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Public Awareness of Lustration

Sources of Information: where do Ukrainians receive information about the purification of government (lustration) processes?

#	Answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	TV	82%	85%	86%	90%	82%	76%	71%
2	Press (printed editions)	24%	40%	25%	22%	33%	19%	10%
3	Relatives, neighbors, friends	23%	15%	28%	10%	33%	20%	14%
4	Web-sites	21%	25%	21%	28%	24%	17%	16%
5	Radio	13%	21%	7%	21%	18%	7%	8%
6	Social networks	8%	15%	9%	5%	8%	6%	7%
7	Personal experience	2%	4%	1%	2%	3%	2%	1%
8	Government (local administration, courts..)	1%	4%	0%	0%	2%	2%	0%



Public Opinion on Lustration in Ukraine

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	Ukraine really needs lustration of government	completely and mostly agree	84%	92%	93%	93%	87%	70%	71%
		completely and mostly disagree	4%	2%	9%	1%	5%	10%	4%
2	Lustration will facilitate democratic reforms	completely and mostly agree	73%	77%	79%	86%	79%	56%	52%
		completely and mostly disagree	8%	6%	5%	2%	9%	16%	11%
3	Lustration is essential for successful economic reforms	completely and mostly agree	72%	75%	81%	85%	76%	56%	56%
		completely and mostly disagree	8%	6%	3%	2%	9%	17%	9%



Public Opinion on Lustration in Ukraine

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
4	Lustration in Ukraine is nothing more than a revenge of one politicians over others	completely and mostly agree	32%	38%	39%	23%	27%	40%	35%
		completely and mostly disagree	36%	30%	35%	49%	42%	26%	20%
5	Lustration will only do harm to society, valuable specialists will be lost	completely and mostly agree	16%	18%	18%	10%	15%	20%	19%
		completely and mostly disagree	52%	52%	58%	60%	59%	38%	34%
6	In the process of lustration untainted employees will suffer more	completely and mostly agree	22%	25%	25%	15%	24%	31%	13%
		completely and mostly disagree	44%	40%	47%	34%	47%	35%	35%



Public Opinion on Lustration in Ukraine

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
7	Lustration in Ukraine is honest	completely and mostly agree	12%	14%	14%	6%	13%	17%	8%
		completely and mostly disagree	56%	39%	62%	66%	57%	45%	52%
8	Lustration in Ukraine is transparent	completely and mostly agree	11%	15%	13%	6%	13%	17%	7%
		completely and mostly disagree	57%	39%	62%	68%	58%	48%	55%
9	Lustration process is too slow	completely and mostly agree	70%	69%	76%	75%	79%	61%	50%
		completely and mostly disagree	8%	5%	5%	9%	7%	11%	7%



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Public Opinion on Lustration in Ukraine

Findings

- Majority of Ukrainians (84% of survey respondents) believe that Ukraine really needs lustration of government. 73% of respondents believe that it is essential for democratic reforms and 72% of them believe that it is essential for economic reform.
- However, majority of Ukrainians believe that lustration processes are not implemented honestly and transparently.
- Only 12% of respondents agree that the Department on Lustration of the Ministry of Justice is free of corruption. 45% believe otherwise. Meanwhile, 61% of respondents do not even know who is the authority responsible for lustration processes.



Public Opinion on Lustration in Ukraine

officials and judges who should be dismissed from the office are:

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	Those that have assets and lifestyle that does not reflect their declared income	completely and mostly agree	81%	81%	83%	92%	77%	77%	73%
		completely and mostly disagree	6%	5%	7%	2%	11%	5%	4%
2	Publicly support separatist movements and organizations	completely and mostly agree	77%	76%	90%	93%	77%	63%	53%
		completely and mostly disagree	7%	5%	4%	2%	12%	9%	6%
3	Those that facilitated V.Yanukovych usurpation of power	completely and mostly agree	72%	73%	87%	94%	70%	56%	45%
		completely and mostly disagree	8%	5%	6%	1%	12%	12%	13%



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Public Opinion on Lustration in Ukraine

officials and judges who should be dismissed from the office are:

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
4	Participated in prosecuting political opponents during V.Yanukovych	completely and mostly agree	72%	74%	82%	92%	71%	57%	45%
		completely and mostly disagree	7%	5%	4%	21%	12%	8%	9%
5	Officials who opposed peaceful assembly during Maidan	completely and mostly agree	69%	75%	78%	92%	71%	49%	41%
		completely and mostly disagree	11%	5%	6%	2%	14%	22%	12%
6	National government officials appointed or occupied positions during V.Yanukovich	completely and mostly agree	66%	71%	77%	92%	62%	53%	33%
		completely and mostly disagree	13%	10%	8%	2%	18%	18%	25%



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Public Opinion on Lustration in Ukraine

officials and judges who should be dismissed from the office are:

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
7	Local officials appointed or occupied positions during V.Yanukovych	completely and mostly agree	64%	68%	63%	93%	60%	53%	36%
		completely and mostly disagree	14%	11%	10%	2%	19%	19%	23%
8	KGB staff and collaborators before 1991	completely and mostly agree	56%	69%	57%	84%	52%	38%	31%
		completely and mostly disagree	18%	9%	18%	7%	21%	25%	26%
9	Leaders of former USSR party authorities before 1991	completely and mostly agree	52%	64%	55%	79%	50%	35%	25%
		completely and mostly disagree	20%	10%	19%	8%	24%	27%	31%
10	Comsomol leaders before 1991	completely and mostly agree	52%	65%	54%	79%	47%	37%	24%
		completely and mostly disagree	20%	10%	18%	8%	24%	25%	31%



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Public Opinion on Lustration in Ukraine

Who needs to be dismissed from the office?

Findings

- Majority of Ukrainians believe that the main reasons for dismissal from public office as a result of vetting and lustration should be corruption and support to separatist movements (81% and 77% accordingly). This is the same trend in all regions.
- Majority of Ukrainians in all regions except East consider that promoting usurpation of power by V. Yanukovych, prosecuting political opponents and opposing peaceful assembly during Maidan protests are also reasons for dismissal from public office.



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Public Opinion on Lustration in Ukraine

Sanctions that should be applied to lustrated officials:

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	Criminal proceedings	completely and mostly agree	81%	90%	90%	84%	83%	76%	68%
		completely and mostly disagree	6%	2%	3%	4%	7%	6%	9%
2	Lifetime prohibition to be public official	completely and mostly agree	74%	77%	76%	80%	78%	66%	61%
		completely and mostly disagree	7%	6%	5%	5%	9%	3%	11%
3	Right to appeal their dismissal in court	completely and mostly agree	65%	67%	60%	72%	62%	61%	67%
		completely and mostly disagree	15%	14%	24%	13%	17%	12%	10%
4	5-years prohibition to be public official	completely and mostly agree	65%	77%	53%	75%	71%	45%	66%
		completely and mostly disagree	14%	4%	28%	10%	13%	21%	8%
5	10-years prohibition to be public official	completely and mostly agree	64%	79%	53%	72%	71%	46%	61%
		completely and mostly disagree	14%	3%	27%	11%	15%	18%	12%



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Public Opinion on Lustration

Composition of body responsible for implementation of lustration

Possible answers	%	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
Representatives of civil society	66%	59%	75%	85%	59%	54%	56%
International experts, representatives of international organizations	50%	56%	52%	50%	38%	56%	57%
Representatives of the opposition parties	11%	8%	7%	6%	12%	14%	18%
Representatives of Prosecutor's office	7%	8%	7%	5%	7%	4%	9%
Members of Parliament	6%	12%	2%	4%	5%	9%	10%
Representatives of the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine	7%	7%	8%	10%	2%	11%	4%
Representatives of the President of Ukraine	7%	11%	8%	8%	7%	6%	2%
Judges	2%	5%	3%	0%	3%	3%	1%



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Public Opinion on Vetting Public Officials and Judges

Time period for which income should be checked

Possible answers	%	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
The term of 1 year is enough	12%	7%	12%	18%	10%	13%	6%
From 1 to 5 years	13%	18%	16%	15%	7%	18%	7%
From 5 to 10 years	12%	13%	9%	11%	13%	14%	10%
For the whole period on the position of a public official or a judge	47%	47%	49%	44%	51%	38%	55%
For the whole life	10%	8%	10%	6%	14%	9%	11%



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Public Opinion on Lustration in Ukraine

Possible reasons for amnesty of lustration

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	Participation in ATO, Ukrainian Army of voluntary battalion	completely and mostly agree	37%	46%	40%	34%	39%	41%	26%
		completely and mostly disagree	36%	26%	30%	51%	40%	24%	26%
2	Unique specialist	completely and mostly agree	32%	38%	35%	18%	31%	44%	40%
		completely and mostly disagree	41%	28%	38%	58%	52%	22%	23%
3	Sincerely repented and gave the state everything he/she obtained when misusing position	completely and mostly agree	31%	34%	23%	24%	62%	32%	41%
		completely and mostly disagree	45%	34%	59%	58%	34%	30%	23%



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Possible reasons for amnesty of lustration

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
4	Provided law-enforced agencies with important information helping to stop corruptive practices	completely and mostly agree	31%	32%	22%	24%	35%	35%	35%
		completely and mostly disagree	42%	31%	52%	52%	50%	27%	24%
5	Has 3 or more minor dependents	completely and mostly agree	20%	24%	14%	16%	22%	26%	21%
		completely and mostly disagree	50%	41%	62%	62%	55%	35%	31%



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Public Opinion on Lustration in Ukraine

Implementing body, sanctions and amnesty

Findings

- Majority of Ukrainians believe that lustration should be implemented by an independent body that consists mostly of representatives of civil society and international organizations.
- Majority of Ukrainians do not want to see representatives of the executive, legislative and judicial branch represented on the body that implements lustration processes.
- Majority of Ukrainians believe that more serious sanctions should be applied to public officials and judges dismissed from office as a result of lustration: criminal proceedings and lifetime ban to hold government positions in the future.
- Majority of Ukrainians believe that lustrated persons should have the right to appeal to court.



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Public Opinion on Lustration in Justice Sector

Question: Is it necessary to purify the judiciary at the moment by means of vetting and lustration?

Possible answers	%	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
Yes, absolutely	67%	66%	72%	85%	66%	52%	55%
Rather yes than no	22%	23%	19%	13%	24%	30%	22%
Rather no than yes	3%	4%	4%	0%	3%	4%	6%
No, it is not necessary now	2%	2%	0%	1%	2%	3%	4%



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Question: Is it necessary to purify the judiciary at the moment by means of vetting and lustration?

Possible answers	ALL respondents	Respondents participated in court hearings	Respondents who did not participate in court hearings
Yes, absolutely	67%	55%	68%
Rather yes than no	22%	26%	21%
Rather no than yes	3%	7%	3%
No, it is not necessary now	2%	2%	2%



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Public Opinion on Lustration in Justice Sector

Question: According to respondents observations or impressions, does the purification of judiciary take place in Ukraine?

Possible answers	ALL respondents	Respondents participated in court hearings	Respondents who did not participate in court hearings
Yes	4%	6%	4%
Yes, but slowly and with some drawbacks	31%	35%	31%
No	44%	37%	45%



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Public Opinion on Lustration in Justice Sector

HOW THE PURIFICATION OF THE JUDICIAL BRANCH MUST BE CONDUCTED?

#	Answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	The judicial corps needs to be completely renewed	49%	61%	44%	58%	55%	40%	34%
2	All judges must undergo vetting and only after this decision if the person can render justice	36%	30%	41%	34%	31%	36%	51%
3	Only those must undergo vetting on whom the public has complaints	7%	6%	9%	34	5%	10%	8%



Public Opinion on Lustration in Justice Sector

Question: Who should implement vetting and lustration of judges?

Possible answers	%	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
Independent commission with mandatory participation of civil society representatives	43%	38%	42%	44%	40%	45%	47%
Civil society (e.g., civil society lustration commissions, etc.)	26%	24%	34%	31%	25%	25%	15%
The President	3%	7%	2%	2%	3%	4%	1%
Prosecutor's office	3%	1%	5%	0%	6%	3%	2%
Judges themselves	1%	2%	3%	2%	0%	0%	0%



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Public Opinion on Lustration in Justice Sector

Sanctions for specific results of vetting judges

Facts proved by vetting	Deprivation of immunity and criminal liability	Dismissal for lifetime	Dismissal for a certain term (5-10 years)	Disciplinary liability	This is not a reason for dismissal or liability
Making illegitimate court decisions which led to serious consequences	67%	22%	6%	2%	1%
Facts of receiving bribes	63%	25%	8%	1%	0%
Involvement in illegal economic activity	60%	29%	6%	2%	0%
Violation by the judge of human rights in accordance with the conclusions of the ECHR	42%	32%	15%	4%	1%
Public support of separatism	42%	29%	8%	4%	3%



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Public Opinion on Lustration in Justice Sector

Sanctions for judges as the result of vetting

Facts proved by vetting	Deprivation of immunity and criminal liability	Dismissal for lifetime	Dismissal for a certain term (5-10 years)	Disciplinary liability	This is not a reason for dismissal or liability
Making illegitimate court decisions which did not lead to serious consequences	41%	34%	13%	8%	1%
Making illegitimate court decisions under pressure (of politicians, executive power, etc	34%	28%	16%	10%	2%
Facilitating prosecution of journalists	29%	29%	17%	13%	1%
Illegal or unmotivated prohibition of meetings, demonstrations and other protests actions	22%	30%	17%	16%	3%



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Public Opinion on Lustration in Judiciary

Findings

- 89% of respondents believe that it is necessary to “purify” the Ukrainian judiciary by means of vetting and lustration
- Majority of Ukrainians believe that the vetting of judges should be implemented by civil society representatives
- For majority of Ukrainians the “illegitimate” court decisions that led to harmful consequences (for example illegal imprisonment, harm to health, moral injury) are as serious offenses as taking bribes



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Public Opinion on Expanding Lustration

- **92%** of respondents agree that all Members of Parliament should undergo vetting procedure
- **91%** of respondents agree that all candidates for elected positions (Presidential candidates, candidates for MP and local deputies) should undergo vetting procedure
- **87%** of respondents agree that local deputies should undergo vetting procedure
- **87%** of respondents agree that vetting procedures should also apply to all rectors of universities and chairs of public health care institutions
- **83%** of respondents agree that vetting procedures should also apply to chairs of municipal housing facilities



Public Opinion on Future Development of Ukraine

#	Statements and Answers	TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
1	In terms of democratic development, Ukraine is similar countries like Poland and Bulgaria, rather than Russia	completely and mostly agree 40%	56%	54%	46%	36%	37%	21%
		completely and mostly disagree 30%	15%	21%	31%	29%	32%	42%
2	Ukraine should join the EU	completely and mostly agree 60%	63%	68%	87%	58%	38%	34%
		completely and mostly disagree 17%	12%	12%	6%	17%	32%	27%
3	Ukraine should join NATO	completely and mostly agree 47%	50%	62%	73%	40%	25%	27%
		completely and mostly disagree 28%	17%	15%	12%	34%	47%	41%



Public Opinion on Future Development of Ukraine

#	Statements and Answers		TOTAL	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
4	Membership of Ukraine in NATO and the EU is a Western plan to encircle Russia	completely and mostly agree	19%	22%	13%	11%	20%	28%	24%
		completely and mostly disagree	46%	39%	55%	64%	43%	33%	33%
5	Ukraine should reestablish closer political and economic ties with Russia	completely and mostly agree	27%	22%	25%	15%	34%	32%	35%
		completely and mostly disagree	41%	44%	54%	62%	33%	29%	19%



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Public Expectations of the Future of Ukraine

HOW WILL SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC SITUATION IN UKRAINE CHANGE IN THE NEXT 12 MONTHS?

Possible answers	%	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
Improve	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
Rather improve	9%	14%	10%	12%	8%	5%	4%
Will not change	26%	36%	28%	30%	17%	35%	17%
Rather worsen	25%	19%	22%	28%	34%	17%	21%
Worsen	27%	17%	32%	12%	31%	31%	41%
Difficult to answer	12%	11%	7%	17%	9%	12%	15%



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Public Expectations of the Future of Ukraine

HOW WILL THE UKRAINIAN GOVERNMENT CHANGE IN THE NEXT 12 MONTHS?

Possible answers	%	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
Ukrainian government will become more responsible, professional, open and efficient	11%	12%	15%	16%	10%	8%	5%
Ukrainian government will not change	45%	43%	51%	47%	41%	48%	39%
Ukrainian government will become less efficient, responsible, much more closed	20%	23%	19%	13%	22%	22%	28%
Difficult to answer	20%	18%	12%	21%	24%	17%	23%



Public Expectations of the Future of Ukraine

HOW WILL THE SITUATION IN THE EAST OF UKRAINE CHANGE IN THE NEXT 12 MONTHS?

Possible answers	%	Kyiv City	North	West	Center	South	East
Will improve, we will establish peace	13%	12%	15%	17%	11%	9%	13%
Will improve, but military operations will continue	18%	23%	23%	18%	19%	21%	9%
Will not change	33%	29%	34%	38%	30%	39%	25%
Will worsen, military actions will become more active	13%	17%	17%	9%	18%	13%	6%
Difficult to answer	20%	17%	12%	16%	21%	14%	42%



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FAIR JUSTICE PROJECT NEXT STEPS

- Expert analysis of the survey, involving international and Ukrainian experts to develop conclusions and recommendations for FAIR, USAID, other international donors and the Government of Ukraine
- Conduct survey of judges on judicial reform including implementation of the Law on Purification of Government in justice sector
- Repeat national public survey in June 2016 on the same subject to measure progress and update recommendations to the Government of Ukraine



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